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SUBJ: SIXTH COMMITTEE (LEGAL) -- CHARTER REVIEW

1. PHILIPPINE COMITE 6 DEL DISTRIBUTED DRAFT NOV 1

(TEXT BELOW) TO NUMBER OF DELS OF POSSIBLE CHARTER REVIEW
RESOLUTION. SHE EXPLAINED THAT DRAFT WAS ELABORATED AFTER
DISCUSSIONS AMONG ORIGINAL SUPPORTERS CHARTER REVIEW ITEM.
SHE SAID THEY HOPED TEXT COULD BE ADOPTED AS IS BY CONSENSUS
WITHOUT MUCH DIFFICULTY.

2. IMMEDIATELY AFTER COMITE 6 MEETING AT WHICH TEXT
INFORMALLY HANDED AROUND, US, UK (FIFOOT), FRENCH (MUSEUX)
AND SOVIET (KOLESNIK) DELOFFS MET TO EXCHANGE INITIAL
REACTIONS. ALL AGREED TEXT WAS BEST WE COULD HOPE
FOR SINCE IT INCORPORATED ALL USEFUL ELEMENTS LAST YEAR'S
TEXT AND WAS FULLY CONSISTENT WITH OUR GAME PLAN OF KEEPING
THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE BUSY PLOUGHING SLOWLY THROUGH
VERBOSE SECT. ANALYTICAL STUDY. ALL FOUR DELS AGREED
THERE LIKELY BE EFFORTS FROM MORE RADICAL ELEMENTS OF COMITE
TO ALTER TEXT AND WE SHOULD BE CAREFUL NOT TO KILL CURRENT
TEXT BY EMBRACING IT TOO QUICKLY AND ENTHUSIASTICALLY. ON OTHER
HAND IT ALSO AGREED IT ADVISABLE IN ORDER ENCOURAGE MODERATES
TO RESIST CHANGES TO INDICATE IN A FEW DAYS TO PHILIPPINE
DEL THAT TEXT IN PRESENT FORM COULD PROVE BASIS FOR
CONSENSUS.

3. COMMENT: WE PLEASANTLY SURPRISED BY EARLY PHILIPPINE

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EFFORT BOX IN RADICALS, SOME OF WHOM ANXIOUS TO INCLUDE

SPECIFIC LANGUAGE ON ABUSE OF VETO, OTHERS OF WHOM RUMORED TO WANT TO PUT IN LANGUAGE DESIGNED TO ALTER CURRENT LEISURELY WORKING METHODS OF SPECIAL COMMITTEE. UNLESS DEPARTMENT PERCEIVES OBJECTION, WE PLAN INFORM PHILIPPINE DEL NOV 4 OR 5 THAT TEXT COULD IN OUR VIEW FORM BASIS OF CONSENSUS.

QTE: SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

RECALLING ITS RESOLUTIONS 992 (X) OF 21 NOVEMBER 1955, 2285 (XXII) OF 5 DECEMBER 1967, 2552 (XXIV) OF 12 DECEMBER 1969, 2697 (XXV) OF 11 DECEMBER 1970, 2968 (XXVII) OF 14 DECEMBER 1972 AND 3349 (XXIX) OF 17 DECEMBER 1974,

RECALLING ALSO ITS RESOLUTIONS 2925 (XXVII) OF 27 NOVEMBER 1972, 3073 (XXVIII) OF 30 NOVEMBER 1973 AND 3282 (XXIX) OF 12 DECEMBER 1974 ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE UNITED NATIONS,

RECALLING ESPECIALLY RESOLUTION 3499 (XXX) OF 15 DECEMBER 1975 WHICH ESTABLISHED THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION,

HAVING CONSIDERED THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION,

CONSIDERING THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE HAS NOT COMPLETED THE MANDATE GIVEN TO IT,

REAFFIRMING ITS SUPPORT FOR THE PURPOSES AND PRINCIPLES SET FORTH IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS,

1. TAKES NOTE OF THE REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION;
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2. DECIDES THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE CONTINUE ITS WORK IN ACCORDANCE WITH PARAGRAPHS 1 AND 2 OF GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 3499 (XXX);

3. INVITES GOVERNMENTS TO SUBMIT OR TO BRING UP TO DATE, THEIR OBSERVATIONS AND PROPOSALS IN ACCORDANCE WITH GENERAL ASSEMBLY 3499 (XXX);

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARY-GENERAL TO RENDER ALL ASSISTANCE TO THE COMMITTEE, INCLUDING THE PREPARATION OF SUMMARY RECORDS OF ITS MEETINGS;

5. REQUESTS THE COMMITTEE TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON ITS WORK TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT ITS THIRTY-SECOND SESSION;

6. DECIDES TO INCLUDE IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF ITS THIRTY-SECOND SESSION AN ITEM ENTITLED "REPORT OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND ON THE STRENGTHENING OF THE ROLE OF THE ORGANIZATION". UNQTE. BENNETT

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